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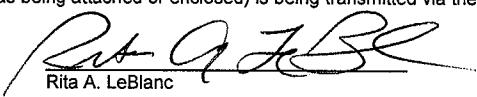
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Steven W. Ramirez  
Serial No.: 10/524,100  
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For: APPARATUS FOR DISPLAYING CULINARY, HORTICULTURAL  
OR FLORAL ITEMS  
Examiner: T. T. Nguyen  
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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT  
AND SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed April 8, 2008, Applicant hereby provisionally elects Species 8, shown in Fig. 7, for continued examination without traverse. Claims 1, 2, 4, 11 and 13-16 read on the elected species.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.